

News & Information from Mackenzie District Council



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DISTRICT COUNCIL



Mackenzie Funding Clinic Brings Community Together

On Tuesday 18 February 40 people from 34 community groups gathered for the first Mackenzie Funding Clinic. Hosted by Mackenzie District Council (MDC) in Twizel, the event was designed to connect local groups looking for funding opportunities and directly with funders.

At the clinic were representatives from Community Trust Mid & South Canterbury, Perpetual Guardian, Trust Aoraki, the Department of Internal Affairs, Aoraki Foundation, Multicultural Aoraki, Meridian, and MDC. Each organization gave a short presentation, and then there was time for people to chat with funders, ask questions, and connect with other local community members.

Many who attended said they felt inspired and more confident about their projects. One participant commented that, "It was eye-opening to see how many amazing groups are actively contributing to our community."

MDC Chief Executive Angela Oosthuizen added, "We're fortunate to have so many dedicated community organizations across the Mackenzie, each with a strong track record of delivering positive outcomes for their communities. Events like this are a valuable chance for local organizations to connect with funders and explore the support available to help them continue their important work."

More opportunities to come

Following the success of the Twizel event, we are looking to run similar funding clinics across the district over the next 12 months.

For more information, contact Mackenzie District Council's Community advisor – Projects and Funding, Jean Proctor – call 027 269 0217 or email jean.proctor@mackenzie.govt.nz

Heritage Protection Fund

Council are currently taking submissions for the Heritage Protection Fund. This fund is available to assist and actively encourage property owners and members of the Mackenzie community to manage, maintain, preserve and enhance the heritage values of items or areas.

It provides a partial contribution towards the costs of a specific project related to a building, item or place.

The fund is allocated \$5000 each financial year by Council which is then contestable by applicants.

For more information please email the planning team at planning@mackenzie.govt.nz, call us on (03) 685 9010, or view mackenzie.govt.nz > Community > Grants and Scholarships > Heritage Protection Fund.



Let us know your views on tourism in the Mackenzie District

We are keen to know your views on Tourism. Our Tourism team have organised a survey to ask those of us who live in the Mackenzie for our opinions about the benefits and adverse impacts of tourism in our communities.

The results will be used for a range of purposes, including conversations we have with key stakeholders such as central government. To make the results useful, we really want as many people to respond as possible.

If you would like to participate, visit angusassociates.co.nz/mackenzie and answer some simple criteria questions. If you qualify you will be sent the full survey via email (screening questions will not be repeated).



Public Health Notice

Some plumbing fittings have the potential to allow minute traces of metals to accumulate in water standing in the fittings for several hours.

Although the health risk is small, the Ministry of Health recommends that you flush a cup-full of water from your drinking water tap each morning before use to remove any metals that may have dissolved from the plumbing fittings.



We are recommending this simple precaution for all households, including those on public and private water supplies.

Rates Due

A reminder that Mackenzie District quarterly rates payments are due on March 20 2025.

Rates information, and online payment options are at mackenzie.govt.nz > Rates, Building and Property > Rates Information



The Government's Local Water Done Well reforms mean big changes are coming for how we manage and fund our water infrastructure across the district.

Find out more at letstalk.mackenzie.govt.nz/water-reform



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Dates of upcoming meetings

Date	Meeting	Time	Location
Tuesday 4 March	Extraordinary Council Meeting Council Chambers, Fairlie	1:00pm - 2:00pm	Fairlie
Tuesday 4 March	Audit and Risk Committee Meeting Council Chambers, Fairlie	2:00pm - 3:00pm	Fairlie
Friday 21 March	Upper Waitaki Zone Water Management Committee Meeting Mount Cook Alpine Salmon office, 4 Benmore Place, Twizel	10:00am - 1:00pm	Twizel

The public are welcome to attend meetings. Occasionally times and venues change so please call and check beforehand. There is a public forum at the beginning of each Council and Community Board meeting and members of the public are invited to address Elected Members on relevant matters. Agendas are available on the Council website at least two working days before each meeting.

Current job openings

Position	Part time/Full time	Location	Applications Due
Health and Safety Advisor	Part time (30 hours per week)	Fairlie	Monday 10 March

Please visit careers.mackenzie.govt.nz for more details and to apply.

0800 685 8514

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